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Renovation of Barstow Sheriff's Station Takes Major Step

SAN BERNARDINO – The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors today awarded a contract to complete the renovation of the Barstow Sheriff's station. The project is the second phase in a two-part remodel to expand and update the station.

"Sheriff's Department staff provide critical services for the public and they deserve adequate facilities so that they can serve the public well," Supervisor Brad Mitzelfelt said. "This renovation will relieve overcrowding in the station and provide staff and the public with a station they can be proud of."

The first phase of the remodel included renovating the lobby and restrooms to bring them into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as expanding the station's parking lot, and the adjacent park. That expansion added 40 parking spaces and new security gates. In addition, Stiern Park was renovated with plants and ground cover that require less water.

With the initial phase complete, Supervisors today awarded a \$1.1 million contract to complete renovations and upgrades of the remainder of the building. The contracted amount was approximately 20 percent below original estimates.

During the project, the entire facility will be gutted, updated and upgraded. The renovation will include adding 4,000 square-feet of new space, as well as new features such as a women's locker room, which the original station did not have.

The project is expected to begin in November and take approximately one year to complete.

The Barstow station is responsible for covering 10,000 square-miles of the County, encompassing a region that stretches from Trona through Baker and all the way to the Nevada state line. Sheriff's department staff have been in the same facility for 40 years. As deputies, commanders and support staff have been added to fill growing needs, the station has become overcrowded.

The station is located at 225 E. Mountain View Avenue.